



MEDIA RELEASE

TOWN COUNCIL

Mark Philhower ChairpersonTim Feegel Vice Chairperson James Brown Brandon Goff Eric Peterson Kevin Reich Alison Walck

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

East Hampton COVID-19 Home Test Kits Distribution Possibly Delayed

East Hampton, CT, December 29, 2021, 5:00pm- The office of the Governor has issued a statement indicating a possible delay in the receipt of the test kits that are to be distributed in East Hampton and other communities tomorrow. The statement may be found here: https://portal.ct.gov/Officeof-the-Governor/News/Press-Releases/2021/12-2021/Governor-Lamont-Statement-With-Update-on-Shipment-of-COVID-19-At-Home-Rapid-Tests

Please watch this website or the Town's Facebook page for information as to the distribution. Below is the original information regarding the planned distribution.

ORIGINAL RELEASE INFORMATION

As part of a statewide effort to stem the current surge of COVID-19 cases, East Hampton will be distributing at-home COVID-19 test kits at Town Hall on Thursday, December 30 from 1pm to 5pm, or as supplies last. The Town has a limited supply of only about 1300 test kits, or enough for about 10% of the community. According to information from the Office of the Governor and the Department of Public Health (DPH), the self-test kits are intended to reduce the spread of the Omicron virus and to supplement existing testing with a primary focus on the members of the public who have interacted or intend to interact with numbers of people whose COVID status is unknown.

Members of the East Hampton Citizen Emergency Response Team (CERT) will distribute the test kits in a drive through process at the Town Hall located at 1 Community Drive. Signs at the site will direct drivers to the pick up location. Test kits, which contain supplies for two tests intended for one person, will be limited to one per person with a limit of four per household in order to get the tests to as many households as possible. Only one person per household needs to come to the kit distribution site. Distribution is expected to begin at 1:00pm and will continue until 5:00pm or when all kits have been distributed, whichever occurs first.